

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 2, 3, 8, and 19 as follows:

1. (Once amended) A saw blade comprising:  
a bandsaw body having a centerline;  
a plurality of unset teeth disposed on said band body, each tooth having a body  
with two outer sides defining a width, and a uniform height;  
at least some of said teeth having a cutting extension extending above said  
tooth body height; and  
each said cutting extension having two outer sides, said two outer sides  
defining the width of said extension.

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2. (Once Amended) The saw blade of Claim 1, wherein:  
said teeth are disposed on said bandsaw body in groups;  
each tooth in a group having a cutting extension which does not have a portion  
of the cutting extension substantially aligned with a another cutting extension in the  
group; and  
wherein within each said group, the sum of the widths of said cutting  
extensions is about equal to the width of the teeth bodies.

3. (Original) The saw blade of Claim 2, wherein within a said group of  
teeth, each said cutting extension outer side generally aligns with the outer side of the  
tooth body or with thean outer side of an extension on another tooth within the group.

4. (Original) The saw blade of Claim 2, wherein within a said group of  
teeth, each said cutting extension being generally about the same width.

5. (Original) The saw blade of Claim 3, wherein:  
each said group of teeth includes a plurality of cutting teeth;  
each said cutting tooth having a cutting extension;  
each cutting extension having a width that is about equal to the width of the  
tooth body divided by the number of cutting teeth in the group.

6. (Withdrawn)

7. (Withdrawn)

8. (Once Amended) The saw blade of Claim 5, wherein:  
said group has four cutting teeth including a first tooth, a second tooth, a third tooth, and a fourth tooth;

each said cutting tooth having a cutting extension with a width that is about one fourth the width of each said tooth body;

said first tooth cutting extension disposed with one outer side aligned with said bandsaw body centerline and said extension extending toward one tooth body outer side;

said second tooth cutting extension disposed with one outer side aligned with said bandsaw body centerline and said extension extending toward the tooth body outer side opposite the tooth body side and said first cutting extension extends toward;

said third tooth cutting extension having an outer side aligned with the one outer side of said tooth body and an outer side aligned with an outer side of said first tooth cutting extension; and

said fourth tooth cutting extension having an outer side aligned with the outer side of said tooth body opposite the tooth body outer side aligned with said third tooth cutting extension, and an outer side aligned with an outer side of said second tooth cutting extension.

9. (Original) The saw blade of Claim 8, wherein said group having four cutting teeth includes a fifth tooth that is a raker tooth.

10. (Withdrawn)

11. (Withdrawn)

12. (Original) The saw blade of Claim 3, wherein:

each said group of teeth includes a plurality of cutting teeth;  
each said cutting tooth having one or more cutting extensions; and  
wherein the sum of the widths of said one or more cutting extensions on each  
tooth having cutting extensions is about equal to the width of the tooth body divided  
by the number of cutting teeth in the group.

13. (Withdrawn)

14. (Withdrawn)

15. (Original) The saw blade of claim 2 wherein:  
said each groups comprise a plurality of said teeth; and  
one or more groups have a different number of teeth than other said groups.

16. (Original) The saw blade of claim 15 wherein at least two groups are  
separated by a raker tooth.

17. (Original) The saw blade of Claim 16, wherein within a said group of  
teeth, each said cutting extension outer side generally aligns with the outer side of the  
tooth body or with the outer side of an extension on another tooth within the group.

18. (Original) The saw blade of Claim 17, wherein:  
each said group of teeth includes a plurality of cutting teeth;  
each said cutting tooth having one or more cutting extensions; and  
wherein the sum of the widths of said one or more cutting extensions on each  
tooth having cutting extensions is about equal to the width of the tooth body divided  
by the number of cutting teeth in the group.

19. (Once Amended) The saw blade of Claim 17, wherein within a said  
group of teeth, each said cutting extension has about the same width.